

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Campbell from Lebanon, N. H., spent several days with friends in town last week.

George E. Russ from Lebanon, N. H., accompanied by his grandson, Herman Russ, were guests at Cyrus Sargent's the first of the week.

Col. and Mrs. John C. Clark left for Boston yesterday afternoon for a short visit.

Mrs. Frances E. Chapman leaves for Boston, Saturday, where she will enter the trimming department of Clapp & Titton, for a few weeks.

Mrs. Frances E. Chapman returned Saturday from a week's visit in Brattleboro, and Springfield, Mass. The many friends of Miss E. M. Niles, who she visited in Brattleboro, will be glad to know that she is very well this winter.

Miss Emma McConnell, who came here from Lisbon, recently, to live with her sister, Mrs. Frank Dexter, through the remainder of the winter, died suddenly of heart disease, February 5. The burial was at Haverhill. Miss McConnell was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John McConnell of Lisbon and had lived alone as none of her family were left there. Her relatives had been very anxious to have her live with them at least on it the weather should be warmer but little thought was the sad termination of the visit was to be. She leaves a brother, Fred McConnell, of Woodsville.

George F. Cushman spent Sunday at Lisbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther E. Jewett left yesterday for a short vacation in New York and Washington. While in Washington they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Hubbard.

Miss Grace Bradley, of St. Johnsbury Center, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Stevens.

Miss Isabel Henderson is confined to the house by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Welch, of Peacham, visited friends in town part of last week.

P. A. Bennett, of Chicago, is visiting his brother, O. P. Bennett.

Frank W. Ball is in New York City on business.

Dr. J. E. Hartshorn returned from Greenfield, Mass., Thursday and is kept at the house by his injury to his hip. He is able to ride out but is not at his office yet.

Miss Mildred Stanley gave a valentine party Monday night to some of her young friends. The little folks had a splendid time and thoroughly enjoyed the games.

Mrs. Walter P. Smith went to Burlington last Friday to attend a meeting of the state library commission.

Editor Charles T. Walter is confined to the house, at his home in Lyndon, with an attack of sciatic rheumatism.

Editor Clarence P. Sawyer, of the Hardwick Gazette, came over to St. Johnsbury last Saturday.

Miss Caroline S. Woodruff and B. Frank Harris gave their rendition of Enoch Arden at West Burke Thursday night. Miss Ethel F. Abbott went with them and sang several solos. The local correspondent of the Barton Monitor said it was one of the finest entertainments ever given there.

Judge Wendell P. Stafford has returned from Montpelier, where he has been presiding at court and has since been confined to the house with a severe cold.

Mrs. George Ranney and daughter Laura were called to Pittsfield last week by the death of Mrs. Ranney's mother.

Miss Helen Albee returned to Chelsea, Mass., yesterday, after a short vacation in town.

Joseph Labranche is confined to the house by illness.

Henry King is sick with the grip.

Will Carleton of Wells River spent Sunday with friends in town.

Miss Pearl Davis is assisting in Leach's store.

John H. Ryan and Miss Lillian were called to Montpelier last week by the illness and death of Mr. Ryan's brother.

Mrs. A. F. Welch is confined to the house by illness.

W. A. Hutchinson from Laconia, N. H., was in town part of last week.

Mrs. D. D. Patterson and Mrs. W. P. Stafford go to Boston today, where Mrs. Patterson will spend a few weeks with her daughter Helen. Mrs. Stafford expects to be absent only about a week.

Frank G. Landry is in Boston on business.

T. D. and P. F. Pidgeon were called to Black Lake, P. Q., last week by the death of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens Salls of Graniteville, P. Q., visited at Dr. T. R. Stiles' part of last week.

Walter Harriman of Ryegate spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mrs. George Howard was called to Bradford Monday, by the illness of a relative.

Louis Deblouis is visiting in Quebec and vicinity.

John W. Tinker and Herbert A. Wilcox were in Burlington last week at the National Guard officers school. Lieut.-Col. C. M. Bonnett was also present.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coe and three sons from St. Charles, Minn., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg over Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Hemmings from Waterford and Dr. and Mrs. Bolton from West Burke visited at Walter Kellogg's last week.

Mrs. E. E. Gage and Miss Ida Beck went to Boston last night, where they will spend a week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark, who were recently married here, will go to house-keeping this week at 139 West 138th street, New York city. Mr. Clark's many friends will be pleased to learn that he received a substantial raise in his salary February 1.

Miss Charlotte Chase was called to Lyndon Saturday by the death of her father.

E. N. Carter leaves for New York today to attend the tenth annual sportsman's show. He hopes to visit Philadelphia and Washington before he returns.

Mrs. C. I. Kimball is confined to the house by tonsillitis.

Dean Dwinell of Burlington, a former popular clerk here, will soon open a boot and shoe store in Lebanon, N. H.

W. B. Wallace attended the Masonic ball in Littleton last night.

R. P. Clark has been confined to the house part of the past week by illness.

F. W. Taylor is confined to the house by illness.

Miss Maud McCutcheon will finish her work in May's law office March 1, and will go to Hyde Park, where she has a position with C. S. Page.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lanctot of Rock Island, P. Q., visited friends in town over Sunday.

Miss Bessie Ranlet attended the Masonic ball in Littleton last evening.

At Fairbanks Village.

Mrs. William Sanborn has returned from Bradford.

Mrs. Howard has returned to her home at West Concord.

William M. Nute spent Saturday at Marshfield.

Mr. Haviland went to West Burke, Wednesday, to a meeting of the Jr. O. U. A. M.

Martin Drew has moved into the Sutor house on Pine street.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowditch are both gaining.

Mrs. J. C. Wing went to Wolcott Saturday, on account of the illness of her niece, Mrs. Haskell.

At Summerville.

Carl Wiley has recovered from his recent illness and has resumed his duties at Mr. Carr's store. During his absence Mr. Hooker took his place.

Metcalfe and Craig lost a valuable horse last week.

Mrs. W. W. Somers of West Danville visited relatives here part of last week.

Mrs. H. C. Bond and Mrs. G. P. Metcalf visited Mrs. Alma P. Davis at Passumpsic last week.

Mrs. George Whiting is ill.

Miss Kate Pearl of McIntosh Falls visited relatives and friends in town last week.

Charles E. Severance is slowly recovering from his recent illness.

George Clement returned from Warren, N. H., Thursday, where he has been spending some time with relatives. His daughter, Mrs. Frank Blossom, accompanied him home.

The many friends here of Mrs. M. J. Leach of Wolcott will regret to learn that she is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatic fever, and at present writing is in a very critical condition.

R. R. Richards of Lyndonville spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richards.

Wilfred Fish resumed his labors on the section Monday after a two weeks' illness.

Moody Evans of Victory spent Sunday with friends in town.

Norman Gibbons of Hardwick spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gibbons.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Chaffee had the pleasure of having their daughter, Mrs. F. R. Ross, from Denver, and their son, Arthur W. Chaffee and infant son from Portland, Me., with them Sunday. Mrs. Ross, with her brother's infant son left Monday for Boston en route for Denver.

Mr. Dempsey's Address.

Supt. C. H. Dempsey spoke in the North church last Sunday evening upon "The Public Schools and the Training of Children in Morals," and was closely listened to by a large audience. It was a frank discussion of matters that are rarely discussed in public and yet so well presented that no one could take exception to his statements. It was an address which appealed to all parents as well as to every citizen who has the best interests of this town at heart.

V. T. C. A. Notes.

Last evening the first session of the class in penmanship was held. Those wishing to enter this class should do so as soon as possible.

Tomorrow evening John F. Puffer will talk on "Some Practical Thoughts in Banking." This is a subject that should interest all the men of the town. Tickets are now ready at the office. Refreshments will be served at the close of the talk.

Next week Thursday Prin. D. Y. Comstock will talk on "A Century's Improvement in Newspapers and Books."

The talk by Rev. Dr. Edward T. Fairbanks, Thursday, was as interesting as the first one. Some of the incidents related were as amusing as they were interesting, but it showed how things were done in an earlier day.

Vermont Building at St. Louis.

A. C. Jackson, who is at the head of a movement to reproduce the "Constitution house" at St. Louis, has been here the past week interesting our townspeople in the scheme. A stock company of \$10,000 has been formed, with shares at \$1.00 each, and each county has been allotted its proportion, about \$700 being our county's share. Of course Hardwick, Lyndon and St. Johnsbury will furnish the bulk of this amount.

The Hardwick people have come to the front and St. Johnsbury's quota has already been subscribed and paid for. Lyndon is interested in the movement and will soon be heard from.

A subscription blank has been left at the CALEDONIAN office and any stock that is subscribed will be promptly forwarded to the headquarters of the association at Windsor.

Busy Days at the Central Office.

One day last week the operators at the New England Telephone Exchange, during the 24 hours handled 3000 calls. This means over two calls for every minute of the 24 hours. When it is remembered that during the ten hours from 9 p. m. to 7 a. m. calls are naturally far less frequent than from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., it will be seen that the day and early evening force found "something doing" and handled calls at the rate of say four for every minute of the fourteen hours they were on duty. Persons unfamiliar with the inside workings of a central telephone office can have no idea of the strenuous demands of an operator's position.

U. C. T. Banquet.

The first annual banquet of St. Johnsbury Council, No. 230, United Commercial Travellers, was held in Pythian Hall Saturday evening. Over 40 travelling men were present from different parts of northern Vermont and New Hampshire and a number of invited guests. The lodge held a business meeting from 7 until 9 o'clock and then Caterer Atwood served one of his justly famous banquets. After the banquet, at which Fred C. Gilson acted as toastmaster, toasts were given by J. E. Counsel, H. A. Stanley, Grafton Sanderson, Guy Rogers, F. W. Kelly, Joseph Bowles, Fred J. Robbins and G. K. Harrington. After the banquet the degrees were worked on eight candidates. It is planned by the lodge to have a ladies' night in the near future and entertainments of different kinds. During the evening music was furnished by Young's orchestra. The charter of the lodge is dated May 8, 1903, and the lodge started with 11 members and now has 34. This was the first lodge of the kind to organize in the state and soon after another lodge was started in Burlington.

Leap Year Ball.

Nearly 50 couples attended the leap year ball at Pythian Hall Friday evening and voted it the most enjoyable occasion of the season. The ladies had decorated the hall elaborately, red being the color scheme and hearts predominating in honor of valentine's day. The gentlemen were selected by shooting for the dance orders with a bow and arrow, and it was ladies' choice throughout the evening. Mrs. Brock's orchestra furnished music and frappe was served by Mrs. F. E. Lovejoy and Mrs. A. M. Goodrich. The ladies who carried out the affair so successfully are deserving of great credit for their leap year ball.

Flarks Bros' Coming.

Marks Bros. have engaged the Howe Opera House for two weeks beginning March 14 and will present attractive programs nightly. The following from the Burlington Free Press, after their recent engagement there, will show the endorsement the Queen City gave them:

Tonight closes one of the largest week's business in the history of the opera house. The immense audience that packed the house to the doors last evening to witness Marks Bros' production of "Resurrection" found full measure of satisfaction. May A. Bell Marks was seen as Katusha Maslova. In the lighter scenes she was all that could be required and her conception of the penitent sinner was interesting. She had the charm of naturalness and to make human nature felt through the artificial outside with which it is clothed in the character means high acting. Her support was excellent, Arnold C. Baldwin making an excellent showing in Demetre. Will C. Millard was also a prime favorite. The members of the company are competent to handle well their allotted roles as on previous occasions. The specialties were excellent.

Pythian Building Association.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pythian Lodge Building Association Wednesday evening the following directors were elected for the ensuing year: C. F. O. Tinker, George Ranney, O. H. Henderson, H. W. Varum, B. F. Brown, Crawford Ranney, C. J. Gilliland. The following officers were elected: C. F. O. Tinker, president; O. H. Henderson, secretary; Crawford Ranney, treasurer.

ST. JOHNSBURY CENTER.

Gardie Menut has gone to Hardwick to wire the new part of the Hardwick Inn.

The rummage sale and supper given by the ladies of the Universalist society was a success, both financial and social.

The Junior Christian Endeavor have arranged a program for their meeting Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. They extend an invitation to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Delos M. Bacon spent Sunday at White River Junction.

Mrs. Proctor of Lyndon Center has been visiting at Mrs. A. N. Drew's and L. D. Stiles'.

Mrs. H. J. Beck spent Thursday with Mrs. Bert McLaughlin.

Mrs. Perle Bacon, who has been at Brightlook Hospital for sometime was able to be moved home Tuesday.

Miss Ella McLaughlin gave a party to her juniors, Thursday evening. Light refreshments were served.

Arthur Willey gave a party to the young people Saturday evening.

The Wide Awake Grange will visit Pleasant Valley Grange, Feb. 26.

The Pomona Grange meeting will be held Wednesday at Sheffield.

Fred Jackson, who has been at Boston has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Lucy Jackson.

Miss Susie Forsythe has gone to Keene, N. H., to work.

Rev. Mr. Hoffman, who formerly preached at the Congregational church, now of South Reading, Mass., will sail March 2, for Jerusalem, to attend the World's Sunday school convention to be held there. His many friends here wish him a pleasant journey.

Mrs. Hill received news last week of the death of her aunt at Craftsbury.

Mrs. Woodruff, who fell last week, was able to go to West Burke, Saturday, where she is visiting Mrs. Powers.

Miss Martha Hill, who has been teaching at East Barret, is at home on a vacation.

The news of the death of Mrs. Chase, who lived here a short time ago, was received here Thursday night, and was a great shock to her many friends here. Mrs. Chase was an estimable woman, who made friends wherever she went. Her death was caused from pneumonia, and the remains were taken to East St. Johnsbury for burial. The funeral was held at Newport Center, where Mr. Chase is pastor. Mr. Chase is also quite sick with pneumonia.

H. J. Kelley, who has been unable to work on account of his health, is better and able to be out.

Church Notes.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd Fellows' block. Sunday morning service at 10.45. Subject, "Christ Jesus." Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30. Children's Sunday school at 10.45. The reading room is open every day in the week except Monday, from 2 to 5.

The pastor of the Free Baptist church will preach Sunday, February 22, at 10 o'clock, with holy communion, and evening prayer and sermon in the evening at 7.30.

Next Sunday evening Rev. C. D. R. Meacham of Passumpsic will speak in the First Baptist church, his subject being "Why I am a Church Member." On Thursday evening there will be a 10 cent supper in the vestry of this church. After the supper Dea. John O. Spring of Bellows Falls, will give a familiar talk on a recent trip he made to Germany. All are invited.

Beginning next Sunday and continuing through the Lenten season, special services will be held at the Church of the Messiah, conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. Francis Welch. At the morning services a series of sermons will be given upon Great Words of Religion—God, Christ, revelation, prayer, the church, atonement, eternal life. At the evening services a series of related sermons will be preached upon "The Purposes of Christ." On the Wednesday evenings, beginning Feb. 24, services will be held in the vestry, at each of which an address will be given, either by the pastor or a visiting clergyman. A class is being formed for Monday afternoons, to instruct the children of the parish in the life of Christ and the work of the church.

Mrs. L. Salloway entertained 60 members of the Ladies' Home Missionary society of the Methodist church last week Tuesday evening at a contest supper. A delightful social time was enjoyed.

Two of the Sunday school classes of the South church are arranging a missionary entertainment, which will probably be given at the vestry Thursday evening, Feb. 25.

The War at a Glance.

Feb. 8.—Japanese squadron fired on by gunboat Korietz off Chemulpo.

Feb. 9.—Japanese torpedo boats blow up Russian battleships Czarevitch and Retziva and cruiser Pallada at Port Arthur.

Feb. 9.—Japanese fleet engage Russian fleet and forts at Port Arthur, disabling Russian battleship Potlva and four cruisers.

Feb. 9.—Japanese squadron engage Russian Vainag and torpedo gunboat Korietz off Chemulpo, sinking both.

Feb. 10.—Japanese seize Chemulpo and Seoul, the Korean capital, beginning northward march to Ping Yang.

Feb. 10.—Japanese seize Masampo in southeast Korea and establish a base there.

Feb. 10.—Bridge on Manchurian railway, north of Port Arthur, blown up.

Feb. 11.—Sec. Hay sends circular note to powers to bring about neutrality of China.

Feb. 12.—Russia recalls Adm. Stark, in command of Port Arthur, because of reverses, appointing Adm. Skrydloff in his place.

Feb. 12.—Russians fire on the British flag ship Port Arthur and refuse permission to Boston steamer Pleiades to leave the harbor.

Feb. 12.—Russian torpedo transport Yencel blown up by a mine, loss of captain, 3 officers and 91 men.

Feb. 13.—Japanese merchant steamers sunk by Russian cruiser.

Feb. 13.—Czar issues ukase calling out reserves, in eastern vicerealty, Kazan and Siberian military districts.

East St. Johnsbury.

Miss Katie Hollis has finished her school in Concord and is now at home.

Frank A. Hovey, who has been in poor health all winter, is now suffering from heart trouble.

Mrs. Eugene Shasteny and Mrs. Joseph Lamere visited friends in Littleton last week.

W. S. Russell has resigned his position with the International Harvesting Machine Co., and has gone to work for the Smith Manure Spreader Co. of Chicago, as trading salesman for New England. He has made arrangements with George C. Cary of St. Johnsbury to transfer their goods.

Local Market Prices.

These reports are for the benefit of those wishing to know the retail prices of native products from week to week and are corrected to Tuesday of the current week.

Corn, cwt.	\$1.20
Oats, " "	.55
Meal, " "	.25
Brass, doz.	1.20
St. John's, doz.	1.20
Lined oil meal, " "	1.40
Middlings, cwt.	1.15 to 1.30
Pork, dressed, " "	.06 to .08
Beef, " "	.05 to .06
Lamb, " "	.10
Eggs, doz.	.30
Veal, " "	.08
Fowls, lb.	.14 to .15
Ham, lb.	.10 to .11
Calf skins, " "	.30 to 1.00
Butter, cry, " "	.22
Butter, dairy, " "	.21
Maple sugar, " "	.09
Syrup, " "	.75 to 1.00
Hides, " "	.04 to .06

An Insurance Company for Americans.

The Prudential Insurance Company of America confines its operations within the boundaries of the United States, contrary to the practice of most big American companies, which have large business abroad. That it is not necessary to go abroad in order to be eminently successful is abundantly clear from the record of The Prudential, especially that for the year 1903, the figures for which have just been published.

The Prudential wrote and placed during the last year no less than \$293,000,000 new life insurance, an amount which has never been equaled by any other company when of the same age, nor by The Prudential itself in any former year. It has over five millions of policies in force, and furnishes life insurance protection for more than one million families.

The Prudential, it is proper to state, was the pioneer in the matter of prompt payment of claims; it was the forerunner of better times for the thrifty industrial classes, and the prodigious success which it has now achieved is a proof that its popularity is well deserved. Write to the Home Office of the Company, Newark, N. J., for information concerning its policies, which furnish guaranteed protection to the family as well as dividends to the policy holder.

Births.

At St. Johnsbury, Feb. 15, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mayo.

At St. Johnsbury, Feb. 13, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wilson.

At North Walden, Feb. 13, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Orton.

At Burke, Feb. 14, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Warner.

Marriages.

At St. Johnsbury, Jan. 27, by Rev. C. R. B. Dodge, George R. Boardman and Mary L. Brown.

At Manchester, Feb. 15, by Rev. F. Chevalier, Oliver Demars of St. Johnsbury and Miss Rose Almee Labrecque of Manchester.

Deaths.

At Bradford, Feb. 15, Mrs. Wilbur Morris.

At Passumpsic, Feb. 14, Mrs. John Judkins.

At Lyndon, Feb. 13, Mrs. Huntley Young, aged 93 years.

At Newport Center, Feb. 11, Mrs. I. P. Chase, formerly of St. Johnsbury Center, aged 57 years.

At West Concord, Feb. 6, Mrs. Rhoda Ford.

At West Concord, Feb. 10, Mrs. Brigham Underwood, aged 84 years.

At Lyndon, Feb. 13, Henry Chase.

At Portland, Me., Feb. 11, Nathan Way, a former resident of Sutton, aged nearly 90 years.

At Bradford, Feb. 12, Mrs. S. B. C. Haskins.

At Bradford, Feb. 13, Mrs. Underwood.

At Bradford, Feb. 12, Mabel Griffin, aged 18 years.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks for the kindly help and sympathy shown us by our friends in our bereavement and we are especially grateful for the beautiful flowers.

Danville, Vt., Feb. 16, 1904.

WANTED, FOR SALE, ETC.

LOST, on Sunday, a gold-mounted amethyst rosary name and date on back. Finder please leave at this office.

A BARGAIN TYPEWRITER for sale. I traded for a new Oliver Typewriter for my own use, but am unable to use it on my desk. If you want the slickest machine on the market, visible writing and all the latest improvements, I will give you the benefit of my trade if arranged at once. Charles S. Hastings, over post office.

FOR SALE—350 cords good four foot hard wood. Quantity to suit. Delivered anywhere in the village. FOLLENSBY & FRICK.